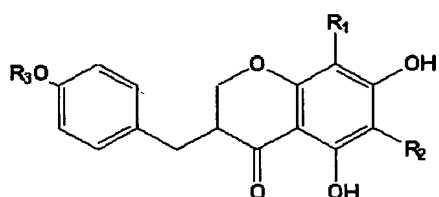


ABSTRACT

The present invention relates to a dendrite elongation inhibitor for melanocytes consisting of a compound represented by the following general formula (1):



formula (1)

and/or a salt thereof,

wherein R_1 , R_2 , and R_3 each independently represent a C_{1-4} alkyl group or hydrogen atom,

and a skin preparation for external use comprising the dendrite elongation inhibitor for melanocytes as an active ingredient.